



**State of California – The Resources Agency  
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION**

# **NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

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**FROM:** Department of Parks and Recreation  
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**PROJECT TITLE:** Pfeiffer Falls Trail Bridge Replacement at Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park

**LOCATION:** Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park

**COUNTY:** Monterey

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:** Rebuild bridge on Pfeiffer Falls Trail at Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park that was damaged when a 3-foot diameter redwood tree fell in Spring 2005. The bridge crosses a creek that connects to the Big Sur River. Parks maintenance staff and California Conservation Corps (CCC) members will dismantle and remove the existing damaged bridge, retain any reusable hardware and cut up stringers for disposal. The portion of the downed tree that is downstream of the bridge will be retained in place. The portion of the tree that is upstream will be removed with the consultation of a Department of Fish and Game biologist. New aluminum stringers will be brought in and placed [installed unobtrusively] on the existing mud sills. The stringers will be constructed in the same fashion as nearby bridges, taking care not to disrupt the rustic nature of the area. The 38-foot bridge will be re-constructed using the same design as the damaged bridge with materials that will be carried into the project area. A generator and construction tools will be on-site as well.

**PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT:** California Department of Parks and Recreation

**NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT:** Monterey District

**EXEMPT STATUS:**

☒ Categorical Exemption  
Class: 2

Section: 15302

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** Project consists of reconstruction of existing bridge in the same site as the damaged bridge. The reconstructed bridge will serve the same purpose and be approximately the same size as the one replaced.

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